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**The Residence of the Danish Ambassador to South Africa
369 Lawley Street, Waterkloof, Pretoria.**

South African Leadership in SADC – Prospect for an effective security community?

SADC security cooperation seems to only be moving forward slowly, and it is difficult to see what role the organization currently plays and should play in the future. For a long time it has been difficult to find unity amongst the member states in the objective of SADC – ‘is it a community or society?’ to use two dichotomous categories of Ferdinand Tonnies. This has led to inaction and slow progress, and for some states, including South Africa, to rather act bilaterally. The Force Intervention Brigade (FIB) in DRC is called a SADC force, but only have contributions from South Africa, Tanzania and Malawi. The regional Rapid Reaction Capability and ASF Brigade is on paper ready to deploy, and was tested during the AMANI II exercise in 2015. However, in reality it is unclear if the pledged forces are available and the force operational. South Africa’s lead in establishing and running the ACIRC force, seems to have negatively influenced the SADC Standby Force (SSF) established in 2008. The perception of SADC amongst international observers and donors tends to be pessimistic, whilst academic observers claims that SADC is showing “steady progress” and “deepening regional integration” (van Nieuwkerk, 2017). South Africa took over the chairmanship in SADC in August 2016, and one of the key tasks was to implement the revised Regional Indicative Strategic Development Plan (2015-2020), launched by the outgoing Botswana Chair. South Africa’s Chair of the SADC runs until 2017, but the question that needs to be answered is

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what role does contemporary SADC play as a security manager in Southern Africa, and what momentum has the South African leadership added to SADC cooperation, and with the closing of the ACIRC, what is the status of the SADC Standby Force (SSF)?

The workshop will be open to a limited number of selected invited guests, and conducted under Chatham House Rules, and will be hosted jointly by SIGLA (SU), the RDDC, and the Royal Danish Embassy in South Africa.

Registration for the seminar before 1. June 2017 to thomasm@sun.ac.za For questions related to the seminar pls. contact: Prof. Thomas Mandrup, RDDC/SIGLA, thomasm@sun.ac.za, Cell: +27 (0)833370009/+4522748390

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Time	Subject	Speaker
08.30-09.00	Arrival	
09.00-09.10	Welcome	Thomas Mandrup RDDC/SIGLA
09.10-09.20	Denmark's role and relationship with SADC	Amb. Trine Rask Thygesen
09.20-09.40	South Africa in SADC- then and now	Prof. Anthoni van Niewkerk, Wits University (TBC)
09.40-10.00	Norms and values in SADC- South African normative leadership?	Prof. Mngomezulu, University of Western Cape
10.00-10.30	Discussions	
10.30-10.45	Coffee/The	
10.45-11.05	South Africa's policy and role in SADC security management	DIRCO (TBC)
11.05-11.25	South African chairmanship of SADC – ambition and reality	DIRCO (TBC)
11.25-11.45	South Africa in SADC security	Nick Sendall RSA DOD
11.30-12.15	Discussions	
12.15-13.00	Lunch	
13.00-13.20	South Africa, SADC and Intelligence sharing and early warning	Mr. Roland Henwood, UP
13.20-13.40	The SANDF and the SASF/ACIRC	Prof. Thomas Mandrup, SIGLA

13.40-14.00	Maritime Cooperation in SADC	Capt (Navy) Mark Blain SIGLA (TBC)
14.00-14.30	Discussions	
14.30-14.45	Coffee/the	
14.45-15.05	Regional cooperation on countering migration, trafficking and smuggling in SADC	Dir. Mr. Stanley Mkhize DHA (TBC)
15.05-15.25	SANDF in Regional Military Capacity Building: Lessons learned from the DRC	Brig. Gen. M. Sereko, Com. SA-NDC (TBC)
15.25-15.45	SADC border control cooperation – the futures of borders?	Lt Gen Mawela, ORS SAPS
15.45-16.15	Discussions	
16.15-16.30	Coffee	
16.30-16.50	SADC economic cooperation & Leadership	Prof. Johan Burger, Uni. Of Singapore (TBC)
16.50-17.10	The future of SADC security cooperation and integration	Prof. Iqbal Jahzbay, UNISA (TBC)
17.10-17.45	Discussions	
17.45	Wrap-up	Thomas Mandrup

	Name	Institution
1.	Trine Rask Thygesen	Danish Ambassador to South Africa
2.	Karina Hedemark	Deputy Head of Mission, Denmark
3.	Roland Henwood	University of Pretoria
4.	Prof. Bheki R Mngomezulu	University of Western Cape
5.	Brig. Gen. M.P. Sereko	Commandant, SA-NDC (TBC)
6.	Prof. Maxi Schoeman	Vice Dean University of Pretoria (TBC)
7.	Anthoni van Niewkerk	CDSM, Wits University
8.	Thomas Mandrup	SIGLA
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11.	Prof. Iqbal Jahzbay,	UNISA
12.	Stanley Mkhize	Dep. of Home Affairs
13.	Lt Gen Mawela	SAPS
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15.	Prof. Johan Burger	University of Singapore
16.	Godfrey Ramuhala	DOD
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18.	Nick Sendall	DOD
19.	Prof. Martin Rupiya	UNISA
20.	Prof. Chris Landsberg	Uni. of Johannesburg
21.	Prof. Peter Vale	Uni. of Johannesburg
22.	Mark Blain	SIGLA